

**United States House of Representatives  
Committee on Appropriations  
Project Request Summary**

**Subcommittee, Agency and Account Information**

**Subcommittee**

Energy and Water

**Agency**

Department of Energy

**Account**

Science

**Project Information**

**Project Name**

Media Production Center Technology Enhancements

**Project Description**

Request \$1,000,000 for Columbia College for the construction of a Media Production Center In the evolution of the capabilities of the School of Media Arts at Columbia, an important new resource is being added to the equation a state-of-the-art Media Production Center (MPC), scheduled for completion in 2010. The proposed building will include two film production sound stages, a motion-capture studio, digital labs, animating suites, a fabrication shop and other production support spaces, as well as classroom spaces. Additionally, housing the College's remote media production truck on-site so that live coverage of special programming may be broadcast from the MPC will further enhance our ability to prepare students for the highly competitive media industries. This center will provide a facility for instruction and production of film, video, interactive arts and media, game design and television projects. The MPC will be a professional quality facility, incorporating the latest image, sound recording and editing technology as well as make it possible for the work of researchers to be captured, electronically distributed, analyzed and studied in detail in our learning environments.

**How does this project relate to the agency's mission?**

**FY2009**

**President's Budget Request**

**Amount Requested**

\$1,000,000

**Intended Recipient**

Columbia College

**Intended Recipient of Funds**

Columbia College

600 S. Michigan Ave.

Chicago, IL 60605

**Is the recipient a for-profit entity?**

No

**Explanation of the request (must include purpose and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds)**

Request \$1,000,000 for Columbia College for the construction of a Media Production Center In the evolution of the capabilities of the School of Media Arts at Columbia, an important new resource is being added to the equation a state-of-the-art Media Production Center (MPC), scheduled for completion in 2010. The proposed building will include two film production sound stages, a motion-capture studio, digital labs, animating suites, a fabrication shop and other production support spaces, as well as classroom spaces. Additionally, housing the College's remote media production truck on-site so that live coverage of special programming may be broadcast from the MPC will further enhance our ability to prepare students for the highly competitive media industries. This center will provide a facility for instruction and production of film, video, interactive arts and media, game design and television projects. The MPC will be a professional quality facility, incorporating the latest image, sound recording and editing technology as well as make it possible for the work of researchers to be captured, electronically distributed, analyzed and studied in detail in our learning environments.